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Tho Germans Make Stronger Stand Passage of River Proceeds.

COUNTER-MOVES FAIL

Continues in Region Northwest of Rheims.

of the British, French, American and weeks, have all but blotted out the

play by the enemy of large numbers ne guns and artillery of of machine guns and artillery of heavier calibre and the employment of large numbers of picked troops, including the well-tried Prussian Guards and the Bayarians, and despite the fact that the rains have turned the lowlands into quagmires, allied troops have forced crossings of the river at a number of new points, and on the north side of the stream are engaging the ene-

Further Ground Won. The lates: French official commu-sication, which recently has been extremely modest in chronicling gains made by the allies, says that Monday saw only local engagements and t the situation on the battle ront without change. Correspondents with the allied headquarters, howwith the allied headquarters, ever, assert that at several points between Sermoise, which lies to the east of Soissons, and Fismes, and between Fismes and Muizon, the coup the losses. Between Muizon and Champigny the Prussian Guard and the Bavarians again suffered their efforts to hold back their antagonists.

The Germans jealously are guarding this particular part of the line, an adthru which to any considerable depth would compel them entirely to their hold on the territory in which they are entrenched around the shell-torn City of Rheims. In addi-tion to the heavy infantry actions here, bombardments also are in pro-

It is not expected in allied mili-tary circles that it is the purpose of Germans to turn about and face Feir enemies south of the Aisne. The hill region to the north of the Aisnethe old Chemin des Dames battlefront-is considered the more probable sector on which the crown prince will elect again to test the mettle of the men of General Foch's command'

German Retrogrades. It is not beyond the realm of possibility that the greater portion of the western battlefront will shortly be under geographical change in position. From the southeast of Amiens, near Montdidier, northward to the region around Ypres, the German front seems all a-tremble with expectancy. In addition to a retreat near Montdidier to the west bank of the Avre River, retrograde movements in the face of attacks around Albert and an evacuation of territory over a front of half a mile north of La Bassee Canal, the mans are nervously bombarding British and French positions at variascertaining their strength. The Be-thune, La Bassee, Hazebrouck and

Just what the Germans have in mind sons-Rheims sector, detached large numbers of his men and sent them to the aid of his sorely tried imperial not improbable, therefore, that Rup- mited. drive toward the channel ports.

HOSPITAL SHIP TORPEDOED AND SCORES LOSE THEIR LIVES

Steamer Warilda, Bringing Six Hundred Wounded and Sick From France, the Victim--Perfect Discipline and Splendid Morale Shown.

A British Port, Saturday, Aug. 5.—
The torpedoing early Saturday morning of the British hospital ship Warida was one of the most harrowing disasters in the history of submarine warfare. The number of dead is variously estimated from 105 to 130 and upward and includes several women nurses.

The ship was bringing six hundred sick and wounded from France to England. Among them were seven Americans, two officers and five enlisted men, all of whom have been accounted for except one private.

There were aboard 89 nurses and

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Particularly Fierce Fighting listed men, all of whom have been ac-

kalian troops, who, in less than three patients. Most of these were killed had an unusual escape. He had been outright by the explosion, and the others, many of whom had been fresh-Notwithstanding the bringing in o ly injured by the torpedo, found themselves trapped. It was impossible for outside aid to reach them, and all, except a few who jumped overboard and were picked up, perished. This part of the ship quickly settled and water flooded the wardroom, drowning the men caged there.

After being torpedoed the ship re-mained aftoat for two hours and a quarter. Immediately after the ex-plosion five boats were launched, but was caught between the boat and the before they could be cleared they were smashed and many of their occupants injured by the pressure and begged to were drowned. Destroyers rushed to the spot where the small boat finally went adrift the submarine was seen to submerge and the woman fell into the sea and

the submarine was seen to submerge and dropped depth charges. More than 650 survivors have been landed, at a British port.

Morale Was Splendid. Stories of the fearful struggle in the darkness to rescue the helpless invalids are told by survivors. The ally found my cubby and obtained

ship remained afloat more than two some clothes and returned to the hours, but for a great part of the deck. There I was placed in another time continued under headway because the engines could not be stop- out disaster. The Warilda settled French and Americans have taken further ground across the Vesle and the rescue work, and in addition rullified German counter-at-delivered is an endeavor to re-the losses. Between Muizon and the losses. Between Muizon and All the soldier-patients and the

nurses testify to the heroic efforts of officers and crew. Notwithstanding the excitement and confusion which were increased by the inky darkness, tion of the officers, went coolly and methodically about the difficult task of bringing the sick and wounded up on deck. As many as could be hand-led in this manner were placed in slings and lowered to the escorting Australia.

MEN IN HOSPITALS **OPPOSED TO RIOTS**

Col. H. C. Bickford Issues Statement Regarding Recent Disturbances.

ALIEN ENEMIES' WORK

May Be Responsible for Inciting Others to Do the Harm.

In a statement in regard to the riots, issued resterday by Col. H. C. Bickford, Toronto district commancounted for except one private.

There were aboard \$9 nurses and members of the voluntary aid department, and the crew comprised about 200 men.

More than \$50 suprivate the private the part of the patients. The private that they should not precede the patients. One boat, containing six women, was thrown against another various hospitals tegether yesterday. west of Rheims.

The Germans now are offering strong opposition to the further advance of the allied troops along the veste Rheims.

More than 650 survivors, brought strong opposition to the further advance of the allied troops along the veste River from the east of Solassons to the region west of Rheims.

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Mere the members of the voluntary ald department, food and clothing. The patients were placed and and proports by then showed that on Saturday night only 18 were out. As hundreds of persons took part in the disturbances, it was evident that the currence shellers in hospitals in various parts of the country. The torpedo struck the after part of the engine room, killing the third engineer and two other members of the only in the part of the engine room force. The dynamo was destroyed, plunging the vessel into the British, French, American and Pallon troops, who, in less than three disturbances in two proposed to the service two years, and this was her first crossing from France in which she was destroyed, plunging the vessel into darkness.

The Warlida had been in the channel service two years, and this was her first crossing from France in which she did not carry a number of derivations for the engine room force. The dynamo was destroyed, plunging the vessel into darkness.

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vere penalties" will be the punishment of those who break this order. unable to cope with rioting citizens,

an, becoming entangled in the ropes as she was being placed in the boat, side of the ship. She was frightfully GERMAN STAND STIFFER

THAN ALLIES THOUGHT

Paris, Aug. 5.—There was a lull in the battle along the Soissons-Rheims When the steward regained the deck he rushed below to get some o his clothes. "I stumbled over wound front last night and the breathing spell extended into this morning. The Germans are being favored by the bombs were shaking the ship. I finweather conditions, which have transformed the Vesle River banks, into fight opened, returned to port. swamps and morasses, and they are making a stiffer stand here than was boat which managed to go free withanticipated. slowly at the stern and then upended-

BRITISH PUSH FORWARD AT THE PACAUT WOOD

London, Aug. 5 .- "We have pushed forward our posts slightly during the ing the survivors comfortable and putting the patients on trains to be day at the Pacaut Wood, east of Rosays the British official communication issued tonight. "Hostile in 1912. She was 411 feet long, had artillery was active in the sector south a beam of 56 feet and a depth of 34 of Ypr Her registered to nage was

The Harvester's Quickstep!

How does the man on the binder know the quality of the crop he is cutting? By the way his horses have to go up on when the grain is thick; and the men Intransigeant states. who do the stooking get to feel the weight and to know the frequency of the sheaves. Lots of heavy sheaves close totale. And this was the song in most of the thousands of Ontario grain fields where thousands of binders were playing the Harvester's Quickstep yesterday. Aug. 5.-Advanced lines on a sector letter to his constituents at Dundee, The binder is a more cheery sound to the farmer than the motor on the road or the Bassee Canal have been evacuated by of munitions, replied to the Marquis noisy airplane overhead. There must be noisy airplane overhead. There must be roll for the week ending last Satur-horsepower, absence of stones on the field day included 150 children under five work and the song. Then it's all some music to the ear and some reward for Following the withdrawal of the The war has got to be won. It is previous labor. Go on with the quickstep, Germans in the region of Albert, all not won yet. These twin facts domi- oh you horses and farmers and you toil-

There are other fields "over there" with grimmer harvester and reaper; more mettled horses struggling amid deafening 142. thunder to the ear; and many men and riders going over the ground as best they can; and some of them are singing and cheering, fighting and dying, for those in the harvest fields at home in Canada. There or here we are working in these fields that civilization may live. Go to it, too, oh you Canadians in the greater sweat and in the more deadly field! Yours is to be a harvest that will never

NEW YORK SWELTERS.

New York, Aug. 5.—New York sweltered today in the hottest August since 1899, with a high temperature 90.7 degrees registered at 5 p.m. Paris, Aug. 5.—The long-range bombardment of the Paris region was resumed this morning.

At 10 p.m. the mercury registered 85 emy mines on Aug. 2, according to an since the beginning of the affect of that the Geroficial statement by the British adsive on July 18. This army also are sive on July 18. This army also are

AT POINTS EAST OF FISMES Germans Offer Desperate

GERMANS RETREAT

FRENCH CROSS RIVER VESLE

HOSTILE AIRSHIPS FAIL'TO FLY FAR INLAND FROM ENGLISH EAST COAST

Attempted Air Raid Does Not Penetrate Much Into Interior---Attack Begins Early in Night.

London, Tuesday morning, Aug. 6.-Hostile airships approached the east coast of England about 9.30 Monday night, the admiralty announced early this morning. The enemy aircraft did not penetrate far inland.

Went Down Off Canadian Forty Thousand Prisoners Are Fismes and Muizon."

submarine about 130 miles west of have fallen back twenty miles and lost ment of those who break this order.

The civil police would confine their efforts to the work of attending to civilians who took part in riots and the military police, the military. If it were found the civil police were the police were t tunable to cope with rioting citizens, the military would then be willing to iend them the aid of troops.

In the statement is was suggested that alien enemies in Toronto had to a considerable extent incited others to rioting in order that they would, later, have a chance to do looting.

The U-boat had the longest range guns, and her shots had a more telling effect. Failing to sink the defend them. The Aisne, however, would be most dangerous in the rear of a beaten army, and indications are launched a torpedo which ripped launched a torpedo which ripped that the enemy will continue his re-tirement north of the Aisne, as even open the stern of the steamer and this natural rampart has been jeoshe soon disappeared into the depths: The captain and crew took to the at Soissons and its suburb, St. Vaast, boats, two of which have been brought the latter commanding the whole sharp bend of the river east of the in here, and the occupants of the third city. have been rescued and are on their way here. Another steamer which GERMAN OFFENSIVE was about 5 miles distant when the Berne, Aug. 5.-The

SIBERIANS TO DECLARE WAR ON BOLSHEVIKI

London, Aug. 5.-The semi-offician Russian newspapers, Pravda and Izvestia, declare that the provisional government of Siberia intends formally to declare war on the Soviet government within a few days, according to an Exchange telegraph from Copenhagen. The Omsk (Siberia) government, it is added, has informed f Ypres."

all neutral and allied powers of the The Pacaut Wood lies about five establishment of an independent Si-

CROWN PRINCE THREW IN ENORMOUS FORCE

Paris, Aug. 5 .- The German crown the collar and the sharp and heavy kick sions (540,000 men) in the Champagne by which the sheaves are shot out on the and forty-seven divisions (635,000 men) stubble. The horses have to move to between the Aisne and the Marne since make the shuttle knives do their work he began his offensive on July 15, The It is estimated that by the shortening of the front thru his retreat, he has economized in the number of troops necessary along the line to the exten gether, and stooks equally close, tell the of some ten divisions (135,000 men). MONTREAL DEATH TOLL.

Hundred and Fifty Children Under Five Die in One Week. Montreal, Aug. 5 .- Montreal's death

and the machine must be tuned up to the years of age, being no fewer than 60 work and the song. Then it's all some per cent. of the total mortality of the week. For the previous week, infantile deaths were 127, despite the intense heat, but it is pointed out that the effects of heat waves are cumulative, while changes of temperature are also fatal For the corresponding week last year, the total of deaths of children under five years of age were

CANADIAN CHAMPIONS. London, Aug. 5.-In the champion-

ship contests of the Canadians in the ment from the war office tonight says: "On Dosso Alto two enemy of-London area Quartermaster Sergt. H. M. Williams won the half mile in 2 minutes 141-5 seconds, and the mile ficers and a few men were captured. Enemy detachments attempted n 5 minutes 11 seconds, the three tacks on Monte Corno and Rio Fredniles in 17 minutes 34 seconds. Capt. do which failed and we took E. S. Archibald, holder of the Canaprisoners. An attack of hostile pardian record pole jump, won at 11 feet, also winning the shot putting and ties was repulsed at Cornone."

Resistance, But Allies Continue to Make Steady Progress From Region Northwest of Rheims---Fierce Battle for Vautes Farm.

London, Aug. 5,-Reuter's correspondent at French headquarters in France, in a despatch, says:

"The enemy's artillery fire is very neavy along the whole line of the Vesle and the Germans are opposing very vigorous resistance to the allies. Nevertheless French patrols have succeeded in crossing the river at several points between Sermoise, east of Solssons, and Fismes, where the Americans crossed, and between

"The Germans on the north bank are abundantly supplied with machine guns and bomb throwers. Their aviators are busy using machine guns A Canadian Port, Aug. 5.—After a London, Aug. 5.—Since the crown against our troops and the enemy re-"Between Muizon and Rheims,

where we are firmly established on the south bank, there has been very hard fighting. Hot Encounter

"There was a hot encounter on the Vautes Farm, close to Muizon, for the passage of the river. After its capture the Sermans sent across two detachments in an attempt to retake the farm. Both detachments were repulsed after a severe fight. "The artillery is active on both

sides of this region. "West of Braisne the enemy stubpornly resisted our passage of the river opposite the La Grange Farm, on the north bank of the stream.

"On the Avre River, in the Montdidier section, the French have occupied the whole of the line of wooded ADMITTED STOPPED hills overlooking the steep river valley from Braches to Mesnil-St. Georges. It is reported that there is fighting in Hargicourt, on the left bank of the river, where the Germans hold the railroad station. The enemy is still in Morisel."

"The fourth year of the war ends Slower and Steadier. by what amounts to a stoppage of our offensive," he said, "but it is not London, Aug. 5 .- The correspondent of Reuter's at American headquarters possible to judge the situation apart

German of

fensive has been stopped and present operations cannot be publicly dis-

cussed, declared General Hollingrath

Bayarian minister of war, in speak

from the operations now in progress,

which cannot be discussed in public.

Besides, our people are sufficiently

steady and patiently will accept the

GEN. FOCH PREFERRED

Paris, Aug. 5 .- The Echo de Paris

recalls a conversation between Premier Lloyd George and General Foch soon

after the general was appointed to the

supreme allied command, and says it

has an important connection with the present victory. The British premier asked General Foch if he had to

choose between his maps (the allied

replied unhesitatingly: "My own."

KING CONGRATULATES

abandon a series of strong pand to recross the Vesle River.

ed in such a splendid feat at arms.

LOCAL FIGHTING IN ITALY.

Rome, Aug. 5.-The official state-

position) and Von Hindenburg's

which would he take. General Foch

Paris, Aug. 5.-King George has

events which delay a final result.

ing in the first chamber.

in France, in a despatch, says: "The rapid advance of the last two days has become slower and steadier, not only on the fresh show of enemy resistance, but from the necessity of getting the implements of battle again into their proper places. OWN MAP TO GERMANS' "The Americans were just as keen

at chasing the enemy as they were at fighting, but the cavalry screen of the old days, which was used as a guard against surprise, was absent, and the infantry, which has to rely on its own precautions, must go somewhat slowly. "Also, the roads are bad and are becoming worse. The heavy rainstorm of the last week fell while the German retreat was in progress, and the guns and lorries have churned these limestone hills until they are FRENCH ARMY LEADERS nearly impassable. Moreover, the French roads, thickly bordered by trees that often are of great size, are sent a telegram to President Poincare saying that he has followed with the "Only those who have tried with deepest interest and admiration the make-shifts to clear such an encum-splendid counter-attacks of General brance as a fallen tree can have any Foch which are forcing the Germans to conception of the delay involved. One strong positions French column had its ponies in readiness, but in other instances the in-In his message, King George warmly fantry had to fall to and hack away congratulates President Poincare and with anything at hand to clear the the French army on the skill of the road.

"Notwithstanding all the difficulties "Notwithstanding all the di

the enemy nowhere managed to get so far away as to feel free from taking precautions. However, we continued to see only a dwindling proportion of his rear-guard which, as far as was Allies Frustrate Attempts on Monte Corno and Rio Freddo. observable, was getting no assistance either from mounted men or cyclists.

Foiling of Enemy Plan.

"The most interesting fact of the pursuit was the discovery of defensive positions, indicating the intention of the Germans to hold an intermediate line south of the Vesle. These trenches were in newly turned earth and had hot been occupied. The gun em-placements and sandbag revetments had just been finished and the block-TWO SUNK BY MINES.

London, Aug. 5.—Two British torpedo boat destroyers were sunk by enemy mines on Aug. 2, according to an official statement by the British ad-

GERMANS EVACUATE LA BASSEE SECTOR

North of Canal-Enemy Destroys Ancre Bridges.

With the British Army in France,

thune, La Bassee, Hazebrouck and Pypres sectors are being particularly have been destroyed. The Germans chosen for the benefit of the German are still holding the river crossing in President Wilson, with searching ever, that Crown Prince Rupprecht court to Meaulte, about two miles to out stint; force without restraint; of Bavaria, during the early stages the northeast, and thence to Albert. of the allied offensive on the Sois- This new line is under heavy artiflery

fire from the enemy guns.

precht is worrying somewhat over this At the moment therefore, it would diminution in strength and already appear that the Germans do not con- and be received by the brotherhood as placed barriers between himself template any offensive on these parts of mankind. and the forces fronting him to ward of the line, at least for some time to off possible attacks, and is endeavor- come. The German troops released by ing to ascertain what chances he has the shortening of the line may be deshold other positions from which he tined to be transferred from the armultimately to launch a les of Crown Prince Rupprecht to those of the German crown prince.

CHURCHILL REPLIES TO PACIFIST LETTER

placed with the six women in the

ne seized another line and clambered

managed to swing in from the end of

the davit to the rail where a wounded "Tommy," awaiting rescue, seized the steward's hand and aided him to

Woman Entangled in Ropes.

be released, but no aid was possible

When the water reached the boilers

they blew up in a terrifying column

of fire and steam, and then darkness

The American Red Cross is mak-

The Warilda was built at Glasgow

feet. Her registered to nage was 7,713. She was owned by the Adelaide

Steamship Company of Port Adelaide

This man described how one

ed in the darkness," he said.

first boat and when the rope broke

hand over hand to the top. There

clamber aboard.

was drowned.

fell again.

removed to hospitals.

British Occupy Abandoned Line Lord Lansdowne Gets Answer From British Minister of Munitions-Must Win War.

London, Aug. 5.—In the form of a nearly half a mile long north of La Winston Spencer Churchill, minister the Germans and the British have of Lansdowne's recent letter and pushed forward and occupied this makes and elaborates the following among other points:

ous points, possibly with the idea of the bridges across the Ancre River in nate every form of argument not ers behind with the sheaves! the region covered by the retirement arising from despondency or treason. Appearance of power is with the President Wilson, with searching the Village of Albert. South of the thought, has spoken the only words town the line now runs from Dernan- which should be heard in the councils ever, that Crown Prince Rupprecht court to Meaulte, about two miles to and camps of the allies: "Force with-

Two separate conditions are required from the German people: First, they Further south, along the Avre River, must be decisively beaten in the field where the Germans retired from their by the allies and, second, they should cousin, the German crown prince, thereby weakening his line while Field day, all the bridges across the river action make a definite break with the Marshal Haig's front was not materihave been destroyed and the roads system which has led them to so ally touched by withdrawals. It is leading to the Avre have been dynamany fearful and monstrous crimes. Not until then will they be allowed to take a place in a league of nations

PARIS AGAIN SHELLED.